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In re Application of

BINGEL et al.

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For: PROCESS FOR PREPARING METALOCENES



Art Unit: 1621

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the office action mailed October 4, 2000, kindly enter the

following amendment.

Enter amended claim 1, as follows:

1. A process for preparing a metallocene, which comprises reacting a ligand starting compound with an adduct of the formula (I),



where M¹ is a metal of group III, IV, V or VI of the Periodic Table of the Elements or an element of the lanthanide or actinide series, X are identical or different and are each halogen, C₁-C₁₀-alkoxy, C₆-C₁₀-aryloxy, C₁-C₁₀-alkylsulfonate [such as mesylate, triflate, nonaflate], C₆-C₁₀-arylsulfonate [such as tosylate, benzenesulfonate], C₁-C₁₀-alkylcarboxylate [such as acetate, formate, oxalate] or

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